DATE: 09/11/2023
TIME OF ALARM: 8:52 am
TYPE OF ALARM: Commercial Structure Fire
LOCATION: 3225 Harbor St., Pittsburg
RESPONSE: 6 Engines, 2 Trucks, 1 Heavy Rescue, 3 Battalion Chiefs, 1 District Chief, 1 Safety Officer, 1 Incident Support Unit, & 3 Fire Investigators.
ASSISTING AGENCIES: Con Fire/EMS, PG&E, & Pittsburg PD
TOTAL FIRE PERSONNEL AT SCENE: 45

Contra Costa Fire responded to a reported structure fire in a multi unit apartment complex in the City of Pittsburg. Battalion 8(Pittsburg), Truck 84(Pittsburg), E87(Pittsburg) arrived on simultaneously. While enroute Battalion 8 reported a large column of black smoke from the station and declared this a working fire due to time of day, potential for rescue, and significant property loss. Upon arrival Battalion 8 established Harbor command and assigned T84 to search for potential occupants and split their crew to ventilate the roof. E87 was assigned to get their own water supply and commence fire attack operations. Additional Fire Companies arrived and were assigned to support fire attack, search, ventilation, salvage, and overhaul.

The fire was observed and reported to be an exterior fire that extended into the apartment. All residents were out of the apartments and were instructed to stay at the scene. The fire was extinguished and utilities were secured. There were no reported Civilian or Firefighter injuries. Crews were successful in limiting the spread to the Apartment of origin. Firefighters worked very hard in challenging conditions in the early morning hours extinguishing and overhauling the fire and assuring that the residents could get back in and retrieve some of their personal belongings. The cause of this fire is under investigation. This incident again highlights the importance of evacuating fires quickly, closing doors as you retreat, and practicing exit drills in the home. The 6 Residents displaced by this incident decided to stay with relatives.